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SUBJECT: FERP - EXTENSION OF CONTRACTS

CONTRACTS 900, 897, AND 957 ALL EXPIRE DECEMBER 31. UNFORTUNATELY, NONE OF THESE PROJECTS WILL HAVE BEEN COMPLETED BY THAT TIME AND AUTHORIZATION IS REQUESTED FOR APPROPRIATE EXTENSIONS OF TIME TO ENABLE SATISFACTORY COMPLETION.

1. CONTRACT 897 FOR COMMUNITY CENTER AT SHATIN HAS BEEN DELAYED BY THE INABILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR TO OBTAIN FINAL PERMISSION FROM DISTRICT OFFICERS BECAUSE OF CHANGES IN LAND GRANTS IN AREA. THIS PROBLEM HAS BEEN RESOLVED AND FINAL DETAILED DRAWINGS ARE BEING PREPARED. CRS ESTIMATES THAT CONSTRUCTION SHOULD BEGIN IN THREE MONTHS AND BE COMPLETED BY DECEMBER 31, 1974. EXTENSION TO THIS DATE IS REQUESTED.

2. CONTRACT 900 FOR COMMUNITY CENTER AT ABERDEEN HAS FINALLY BEGUN TO SHOW SIGNS OF ACTION WITH SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND KAIFONG ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT ON SCOPE OF BUILDING. PRINCIPAL PROBLEM HAS BEEN SOCIAL WELFARE'S INSISTENCE THAT CENTER BE PART OF ITS OWN FIVE-YEAR-PLAN, CAUSING SOME ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURES NOT ORIGINALLY CONTEMPLATED. TEST BORING AND SITE PREPARATION IS UNDERWAY AND CONSTRUCTION SHOULD START IN SPRING. CARE IS REQUESTING AN ADDITIONAL YEAR (TO DECEMBER 31, 1974) AND WE RECOMMEND THIS EXTENSION.

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3. CONTRACT 957 FOR MEDICAL AND DENTAL CLINICS FOR UNITED CHRISTIAN HOSPITAL HAS MOVED SMOOTHLY ON THE DENTAL SIDE. THE NEW MEDICAL CLINIC, HOWEVER, HAS BEEN APPROVED BY MEDICAL DEPARTMENT BUT NOT HOUSING AUTHORITIES. HOPEFULLY, THIS WILL BE RESOLVED SHORTLY. WE RECOMMEND EXTENSION OF FOUR MONTHS, TO APRIL 30, 1974.
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